Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

<u>Markup Summary – March 15, 2018</u>

Convened: 10:08 a.m. Recess: 12:04 – 1:35 p.m.

Adjourned: 1:40 p.m.

Members in Attendance: Gowdy, Duncan, Jordan, Sanford, Amash, DesJarlais, Farenthold, Foxx, Massie, Meadows, DeSantis, Ross, Walker, Blum, Hice, Russell, Grothman, Hurd, Palmer, Comer, Mitchell, Gianforte, Maloney, Norton, Clay, Lynch, Cooper, Connolly, Kelly, Lawrence, Watson Coleman, Krishnamoorthi, Raskin, Welch, Cartwright, DeSaulnier, Plaskett and Sarbanes.

H.R. 50 (Foxx), Unfunded Mandates Information and Transparency Act of 2017

1. Ms. Foxx offered an amendment that reauthorizes funding of \$1.5 million annually for the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) from 2018 through 2024 to fulfill their responsibilities under the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) of 1995 – reducing the amount by \$3 million compared to prior authorization levels.

The Foxx amendment was agreed to by voice vote. The bill, as amended, was ordered favorably reported to the House by a record vote of 20-10 (Vote #1).

YEAS: Gowdy, Jordan, Sanford, Amash, DesJarlais, Farenthold, Foxx, Massie, Meadows, Ross, Walker, Blum, Hice, Russell, Grothman, Hurd, Palmer, Comer, Mitchell and Gianforte.

NAYS: Maloney, Norton, Clay, Lynch, Connolly, Kelly, Watson Coleman, Welch, DeSaulnier and Sarbanes.

H.R. 1339 (Duncan-TN), Freedom from Government Competition Act of 2017

- 1. Mr. Duncan offered an amendment in the nature of a substitute (ANS).
- 2. Mr. Farenthold offered an amendment to the ANS that exempts functions performed by Department of Defense civilian employees for depot-level maintenance and repair from possible outsourcing.

Mr. Duncan asked unanimous consent to postpone consideration of H.R. 1339. There was no objection.

[Mr. Cartwright U.C. for the record: letter from the American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO, in opposition.]

H.R. 2846 (Farenthold), Federal Agency Customer Experience Act of 2017

- 1. Mr. Farenthold offered an ANS.
- 2. Mr. Raskin offered an amendment to the ANS that adds a Sense of Congress provision that adequate federal funding is needed to ensure agency staffing levels that can provide the public with appropriate customer service levels.

The Raskin amendment was agreed to by voice vote. The ANS, as amended, was agreed to by voice vote. The bill, as amended, was ordered favorably reported to the House by voice vote.

H.R. 4809 (Walker), Guidance Out Of Darkness (GOOD) Act

1. Mr. Walker offered an ANS.

The ANS was agreed to by voice vote. The bill, as amended, was ordered favorably reported to the House by voice vote.

[Mr. Connolly U.C. for the record: letter from the Coalition for Sensible Safeguards]

H.R. 5253 (Farenthold), Office of Government Information Services Empowerment Act of 2018

The bill was ordered favorably reported to the House by voice vote.

H.R. 1376 (Cummings), Electronic Message Preservation Act of 2017

The bill was ordered favorably reported to the House by voice vote.

H.R. 3303 (Connolly), First Responder Fair RETIRE Act

1. Mr. Russell offered an ANS.

The ANS was agreed to by voice vote. The bill, as amended, was ordered favorably reported to the House by voice vote.

[Mr. Connolly U.C. for the record: letters of support from the National Federation of Federal Employees, the International Association of Fire Fighters, the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, the American Federation of Government Employees, and the National Treasury Employees Union.]

H.R. 4446 (Plaskett), To amend the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission Act to extend the expiration date of the Commission, and for other purposes

1. Mr. Grothman offered an ANS.

The ANS was agreed to by voice vote. The bill, as amended, was ordered favorably reported to the House by voice vote.

The following postal naming bills were reported favorably to the House by unanimous consent:

H.R. 2979 (Aguilar), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 390 West 5th Street in San Bernardino, California, as the "Jack H. Brown Post Office Building";

H.R. 4574 (Krishnamoorthi), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 108 West Schick Road in Bloomingdale, Illinois, as the "Bloomingdale Veterans Memorial Post Office Building";

H.R. 4722 (Faso), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 111 Market Street in Saugerties, New York, as the "Maurice D. Hinchey Post Office Building";

H.R. 4840 (Murphy-FL), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 567 East Franklin Street in Oviedo, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class Alwyn Crendall Cashe Post Office Building";

H.R. 4890 (Brown), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9801 Apollo Drive in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, as the "Wayne K. Curry Post Office Building";

H.R. 4960 (Hartzler), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 511 East Walnut Street in Columbia, Missouri, as the "Spc. Sterling William Wyatt Post Office Building";

S. 931 (Gardner), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4910 Brighton Boulevard in Denver, Colorado, as the "George Sakato Post Office";

H.R. 1496 (Bass), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4040 West Washington Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the "Marvin Gaye Post Office" with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

H.R. 3184 (Garrett), To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 180 McCormick Road in Charlottesville, Virginia, as the "Captain Humayun Khan Post Office" with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.